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## COMMENT AND REPLY COMMENT DATES ESTABLISHED FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE NET 911 ACT NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING

WC Docket No. 08-171

Comments Due: September 9, 2008 Replies Due: September 17, 2008

On August 25, 2008, the Commission released a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking in WC Docket No. 08-171 as a first step towards implementing the New and Emerging Technologies 911 Improvement Act (NET 911 Act). This legislation requires the Commission to implement certain rules by October 21, 2008. In light of this statutory deadline, the Commission set the comment and reply comment due dates as 12 and 20 days, respectively, after publication of the summary of the *NET 911 Act NPRM* in the Federal Register.

A summary of the Commission's *NET 911 Act NPRM* was published in the Federal Register today, August 28, 2008, triggering the cycle for comments and replies.<sup>2</sup> Accordingly, **comments are due by September 9, 2008 and replies are due by September 17, 2008**. All pleadings should reference WC **Docket No. 08-171.** 

Comments may be filed using the Commission's Electronic Comment Filing System (ECFS) or by filing paper copies.<sup>3</sup>

- Electronic Filers: Comments may be filed electronically using the Internet by accessing the ECFS: <a href="http://www.fcc.gov/cgb/ecfs/">http://www.fcc.gov/cgb/ecfs/</a> or the Federal e-Rulemaking Portal: <a href="http://www.regulations.gov">http://www.regulations.gov</a>. Filers should follow the instructions provided on the Web site for submitting comments.
- For ECFS filers, if multiple docket or rulemaking numbers appear in the caption of this proceeding, filers must transmit one electronic copy of the comments for each docket or rulemaking number referenced in the caption. In completing the transmittal screen, filers should include their full name, U.S. Postal Service mailing address, and the applicable docket or rulemaking number. Parties may also submit an electronic comment by Internet e-mail. To get

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Implementation of the NET 911 Improvement Act of 2008, WC Docket No. 08-171, Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, FCC 08-195 (rel. Aug. 25, 2008) (NET 911 Act NPRM).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> 73 Fed. Reg. 50741 (Aug. 28, 2008).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> See Electronic Filing of Documents in Rulemaking Proceedings, GC Docket No. 97-113, Report and Order, 13 FCC Rcd 11322 (1998).

filing instructions, filers should send an e-mail to <u>ecfs@fcc.gov</u>, and include the following words in the body of the message, "get form." A sample form and directions will be sent in response.

- Paper Filers: Parties who choose to file by paper must file an original and four copies of each filing. If more than one docket or rulemaking number appears in the caption of this proceeding, filers must submit two additional copies for each additional docket or rulemaking number.
- Filings can be sent by hand or messenger delivery, by commercial overnight courier, or by first-class or overnight U.S. Postal Service mail (although we continue to experience delays in receiving U.S. Postal Service mail). All filings must be addressed to the Commission's Secretary, Office of the Secretary, Federal Communications Commission.
- The Commission's contractor will receive hand-delivered or messenger-delivered paper filings for the Commission's Secretary at 236 Massachusetts Avenue, NE, Suite 110, Washington, DC 20002. The filing hours at this location are 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. All hand deliveries must be held together with rubber bands or fasteners. Any envelopes must be disposed of *before* entering the building.
- Commercial overnight mail (other than U.S. Postal Service Express Mail and Priority Mail) must be sent to 9300 East Hampton Drive, Capitol Heights, MD 20743.
- U.S. Postal Service first-class, Express, and Priority mail should be addressed to 445 12th Street, SW, Washington DC 20554.

All filings must be addressed to the Commission's Secretary, Marlene H. Dortch, Office of the Secretary, Federal Communications Commission, 445 12th Street, SW, Washington, DC 20554. Parties should also send a copy of their filings to the Competition Policy Division, Wireline Competition Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, Room 5-C140, 445 12th Street, SW, Washington, D.C. 20554, or by e-mail to cpdcopies@fcc.gov. Parties shall also serve one copy with the Commission's copy contractor, Best Copy and Printing, Inc. (BCPI), Portals II, 445 12th Street, SW, Room CY-B402, Washington, D.C. 20554, (202) 488-5300, or via e-mail to fcc@bcpiweb.com.

## In addition, one copy of each pleading must be sent to each of the following:

- (1) Tim Stelzig, Competition Policy Division, Wireline Competition Bureau, 445 12th Street, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20554; e-mail: <a href="mailto:tim.stelzig@fcc.gov">tim.stelzig@fcc.gov</a>; and
- (2) Matt Warner, Competition Policy Division, Wireline Competition Bureau, 445 12th Street, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20554; e-mail: <a href="matthew.warner@fcc.gov">matthew.warner@fcc.gov</a>.

Documents in WC Docket No. 08-171 are available for public inspection and copying during business hours at the FCC Reference Information Center, Portals II, 445 12th St. SW, Room CY-A257, Washington, DC 20554. The documents may also be purchased from BCPI, telephone (202) 488-5300, facsimile (202) 488-5563, TTY (202) 488-5562, e-mail <a href="fcc@bcpiweb.com">fcc@bcpiweb.com</a>.

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This matter shall be treated as a "permit-but-disclose" proceeding in accordance with the Commission's *ex parte* rules. Persons making oral *ex parte* presentations are reminded that memoranda summarizing the presentations must contain summaries of the substance of the presentation and not merely a listing of the subjects discussed. More than a one or two sentence description of the views and arguments presented generally is required. Other rules pertaining to oral and written *ex parte* presentations in permit-but-disclose proceedings are set forth in section 1.1206(b) of the Commission's rules.

For further information, contact Matt Warner or Tim Stelzig, Competition Policy Division, Wireline Competition Bureau at (202) 418-1580, TTY (202) 418-0484.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> 47 C.F.R. §§ 1.1200 et seq.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> See 47 C.F.R. § 1.1206(b)(2).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> 47 C.F.R. § 1.1206(b).